

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Appln. No. : 10/551,398  
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For : RATIO CHANGING METHOD AND APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2008, Applicant responds as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.